

Courtney N. Phillips, CEO
Department of Health and Human Services
State of Nebraska

Courtney Phillips is the Chief Executive Officer of the Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services. As head of the largest Department in state government with 5,500 employees and a \$3.5 billion budget, she is responsible for the divisions of Behavioral Health, Children and Family Services, Developmental Disabilities, Medicaid and Long-Term Care, Public Health, and Veterans' Homes, as well as agency operations.

Nebraska Governor Pete Ricketts appointed her to the CEO position effective April 2, 2015.

She holds a Bachelor's Degree in Kinesiology and a Master of Public Administration, both from Louisiana State University. She is currently working toward a Ph.D. in Public Policy through Southern University in Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

Courtney most recently served as the Deputy Secretary for the Louisiana Department of Health and Hospitals. Since joining that department in 2003, she served in various capacities including working within various Medicaid programs, as an executive management officer and chief of staff. At the time, the agency had an annual budget of over \$9 billion and more than 11,000 employees.

Prior to her appointment to this position, Courtney was a life-long resident of Louisiana.

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